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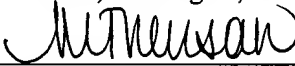
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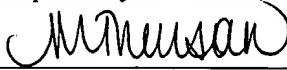
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- [X] Response to the Office Action dated October 9, 2001
(including Appendix A – Marked-Up Specification and Claims)
- [X] Appendix B - GenBank Accession No. AC005586 September 2000 version (front page)
- [X] Appendix C-1 - GenBank Accession No. AC005586 Revision History
- [X] Appendix C-2 - GenBank Accession No. AC005586 September 1998 version (entire)
- [X] Appendix D - Declaration of Nicholas H. Heintz (including Exhibits 1, 2 and 3)
- [X] Check in the amount of \$55.00 for a one month extension of time
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If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617)720-3500, Boston, Massachusetts.

A one month extension of time is hereby requested, and the appropriate fee is submitted herewith. If any additional fee is determined to be due by the Examiner, the Examiner is authorized to charged the appropriate fee to the account of the undersigned, Deposit Account No. 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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This is in response to the Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on October 9, 2001 (Paper No. 12). A one month extension of time is respectfully requested and the appropriate fee is submitted concurrently herewith.

In the Specification

Please re-write the specification as shown below.

Please re-write the paragraph beginning on page 22, line 9, as follows:

Homologs and alleles of the RIP60 nucleic acids of the invention can be identified by conventional techniques. Thus, an aspect of the invention is those nucleic acid sequences which code for RIP60 polypeptides and which hybridize to a nucleic acid molecule consisting of the coding region of SEQ ID NO:1, SEQ ID NO:3, SEQ ID NO:5 or SEQ ID NO:50 under stringent conditions. The term "stringent conditions" as used herein refers to parameters with which the art is familiar. Nucleic acid hybridization parameters may be found in references which compile such methods, e.g. Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, J. Sambrook, et al., eds., Second Edition, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, New York, 1989, or Current 586107.2

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